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The Musket

LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL'S STUDENT-RUN NEWSPAPER SINCE 1969

Senior Destinations

Dear Class of 2023,

As you exit the main hallway of Lexington High School, look around and cherish the memories that the school holds. This is the place where freshman year you panicked over your environmental science grade, sophomore year you sampled your first Choosi sandwich order, junior year you argued with your counselor to maximize your credits, and senior year you received your cap & gown (after successfully paying off outstanding school debt for your AP Bio textbook).

Each year, you have grown as a student and as a talented procrastinator. Some school days might have dragged on with no end, but the years passed in a blur. From joining the spikeball crew in the Quad to finding refuge in the science mods during 70° F weather, our high school experience has been characterized by a fair share of ups and downs. There have been no shortage of challenges thrown at us over these past four years, so celebrate your hard work and resilience.

As our high school experience draws to a close, we are all feeling a mixture of emotions—whether its relief, excitement, or anxiety. Although this issue highlights destinations, each destination represents a new beginning to embark on. Challenges will arise, as well as new opportunities: seize these experiences and embrace them.

Though we may be in different states, or even countries, all of us still belong to the Lexington High School community. The peers and educators that have shaped us will continue to hold a place in our hearts. With their words and efforts, we will grow into tomorrow's leaders, thinkers, and dreamers.

Reflect on the times your eyes welled with tears or you burst into laughter. Years later you will chuckle as you remember your hands trembling as you crammed for a physics final or reminisce about your trip to Rancs with your English class. Carry the emotions and life lessons that have shaped you thus far as you enter a new chapter.

Be kind, be bold, be yourself.

Signing off,
The Three Musket-eers
Vidula Mannem
Ria Vasishtha
Ellen Wang

"Always think for yourself"
- Anthony Valenti

"Take a moment and enjoy things, find a good balance between life and work"

- Larry David

"I think [the class of 2023] has gone through a lot, so their resillience and endurance will help thelp them be prepared as they enter into college"

- Jieying Yao

"Sometimes you find a passion for something and switch gears. Don't be afraid to take the risk"

- Nicholas Gould

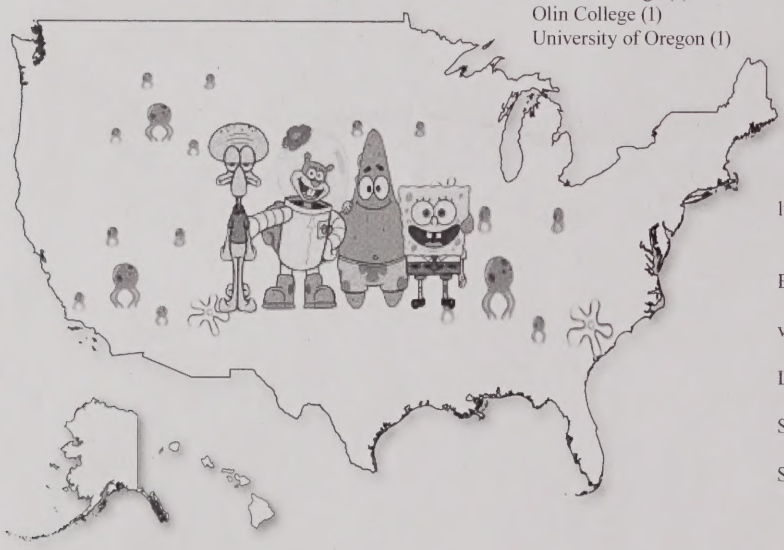
"You're doing better than you think"

- Sarah Anderson

"My best advice to the class of 2023 is do everything you want and to do it now because you won't have time later"

- Shelby Chung

United States Army (2)
American University (4)
Amherst College (1)
Barnard College (5)
Bates College (2)
Boston College (6)
Bentley Unniversity (2)
Berklee College of Music (2)
Binghamton University (1)
Bowdoin College (1)
Brandeis University (9)
Bridgewater State University (1)
Brown University (4)
Bryant University (5)
Boston University (12)
Bucknell University (1)
California Polytechnic State University (1)
Carleton College (1)
Case Western Reserve University (8)
Coastal Carolina University (1)
Chapman University (2)
College of Charleston (1)
Clark University (2)
Clemson University (2)
Claremont McKenna College (1)
Carnegie Mellon University (10)
Colby College (2)
Colgate University (1)
Columbia University (2)
Connecticut College (1)
Cornell University (9)
University of Colorado Boulder (2)
University of Colorado Denver (1)
Dartmouth University (2)
Davidson College (1)
Drexel University (3)
Duke University (1)
Elon University (3)
Emory University (5)
Endicott College (1)
University of Exeter (1)
Fairfield University (1)
Flagler College (1)
Florida Institute of Technology (1)
Fordham University (5)
Franklin & Marshall College (1)
Franklin Pierce University (1)
George Washington University (6)
Georgia Institute of Technology (1)
Hamilton College (2)
Harvard University (6)
Haverford College (1)
Hofstra University (1)
College of the Holy Cross (4)
High Point University (1)
Hult International Business School (1)
Institut National des Sciences Appliques de Toulouse (1)
Indiana University (2)
James Madison University (1)
John Hopkins University (4)
King's College (1)
Kingston University (1)
Lesley University (1)
Manhattan College (1)
Michigan State University (1)
McGill University (7)
Middlebury College (3)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (8)
New School (1)
Northeastern University (32)
Northwestern University (5)
New York University (10)
Oberlin College (2)
Olin College (1)
University of Oregon (1)
Ohio State University (1)
Pace University (1)
Parsons School of Design (1)
Pratt Institute(1)
Princeton University (2)
Providence College (3)
Purdue University (7)
Rice University (1)
Quinnipiac University (2)
Regis College (2)
Rochester Institute of Technology (6)
Rhode Island School of Design (3)
Rollins College (1)
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (3)
Rutgers University (1)
Santa Clara University (1)
San Diego State University (1)
San Francisco State University (1)
Simmons University (1)
Skidmore College (1)
Smith College (1)
Stanford University (2)
Stonehill College (1)
Stonybrook University (1)
Suffolk University (1)
Syracuse University (5)
Tel Aviv University (1)
Temple University (1)
The College of Wooster (1)
Trinity College Dublin (1)
Trinity College (2)
Tufts University (11)
Tulane University (1)
University of British Columbia (1)
University of Bologna (1)
University of California Berkeley (2)
University of California Irvine (1)
University of California Los Angeles (1)
University of California Santa Barbara (1)
University of California Santa Cruz (2)
University of California San Diego (5)
University of Chicago (3)
University of Cincinnati (1)
University College Cork (1)
University College Utrecht (1)
University of Connecticut (3)
University of Florida (1)
University of Georgia (1)
University of Hartford (1)
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (3)
University of Maine (2)
University of Massachusetts Amherst (34)
University of Massachusetts Boston (2)
University of Massachusetts Lowell (6)
University of Maryland (4)
University of Miami (4)
University of Michigan (6)
University of Minnesota (3)
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1)
University of New Hampshire (1)
University of New Haven (1)
University of Toronto (6)
University of Pennsylvania (2)
University of Rhode Island (5)
University of Richmond (2)
University of Rochester (3)
University of Tennessee (1)
University of Vermont (10)
University of Winchester (1)
University of Wisconsin - Madison (1)
Vanderbilt University (3)
Vassar College (2)
Villanova University (4)
Wake Forest University (1)
Waseda University (1)
Washington University in St. Louis (4)
Wellesley College (2)
Wesleyan University (2)
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (9)
Yale University (1)



4 Years Later...

"Life happens wherever you are, whether you make it or not"

-Vidula Mannem

"Be a pineapple. Stand tall, wear a crown, and be sweet on the inside"

- Ellen Wang

"Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree"

- Eric Han

"Work hard, learn lots, and get 1% better every day"

- Eli Olcott

"If life gives you lemons, make some kind of fruity juice"

- Alice Rho

"Whenever your nervous just have fun"

- Rose O'Neill

"Try everything at least twice"

- Sebastian Chen